AKSHAT VERMA

DESIGN LEADER · SENIOR PRODUCT DESIGN MANAGER

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Delhi NCR, India

SKILLS

Design leadership

UI/UX design & research

Product & UX strategy

AI & agent governance

Enterprise UX & design systems

Cross-geo team building

Coaching & mentoring

Executive alignment

EDUCATION

Indian School of Business
Executive Program, Organizational Leadership and Product Strategy
2021

National Institute of Design
M.Des, New Media Design
2011 – 2013

VIT University
B.Tech, Electronics and Instrumentation
2007 – 2011

LANGUAGES

English, Hindi, French, German

PROFILE

Founder-minded design leader with 12+ years across startup, consumer and enterprise AI. I've built and scaled successful product and design teams more than once, from a 25-person team at NYOOOZ to a cross-geo design team at Microsoft, each delivering lasting design and product value.

Today I lead design for SharePoint Admin, guiding how organizations govern content, AI and agents. My teams are AI-first, inclusive by design and rigorous in process, and we own the outcome, not just the design.

EXPERIENCE

Microsoft
Dec 2018 – Present

Senior Product Design Manager (since 2022) · Delhi NCR

- Lead a cross-geo team of 8 designers, working directly with product leadership and cross-functional product crews in India and Redmond to shape and execute strategy.
- Lead design for SharePoint Admin as enterprises adopt AI and agents: content governance, trusted boundaries and oversight of AI agents.
- Led the UX team for Teams for Education (90M+ students and educators), driving adoption, engagement and revenue growth; also led Teams Consumer & SMB across emerging and developed markets, and GroupMe.
- Helped set up and lead the Teams Mobile design team in Delhi NCR, chartered to reach the next billion users.
- Earlier, led information architecture and interface design for a new enterprise Security & Compliance product, and design for Workplace Analytics.

NYOOOZ (Newzstreet Media Group)
Dec 2013 – Nov 2018

Co-Founder & Product Head, Design and Tech · Delhi NCR

- Built a 25-person product, design and tech team from scratch, setting up the digital vertical for a hyperlocal news platform serving India's Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities.
- Grew to 50M+ monthly users and formed industry-first partnerships with Amazon, YouTube and Yahoo.
- Secured Google News Initiative innovation funding, one of 87 organizations worldwide.

Honeywell Technology Solutions
Jan 2013 – Oct 2013

Design, Global Strategy · Bengaluru

- Designed speech and multimodal interaction paradigms for industrial and enterprise use.

RECOGNITION

- Google News Initiative innovation funding for NYOOOZ, one of 87 organizations worldwide
- Nominated to the Board of Studies, New Media Content Design programme
- General Secretary, Student Council, NID (2012 – 2013)